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In re Application of:)
Gary Karlin Michelson, M.D.) Confirmation No. 6124
Serial No.: 09/626,636) Group Art Unit: 3731
Filed: July 27, 2000) Examiner: U. Ho
For: APPARATUS AND METHOD OF)
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Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in response to the Office Action dated July 25, 2003 in the above-identified application.

- ☐ No additional fee is required.
- ☒ Applicant hereby requests a one-month extension of time to respond to the above Office Action.
- ☒ Information Disclosure Statement Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(c) with Form PTO-1449 and two documents.

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TOTAL CLAIMS FEE	75	-	71**	4	LG=\$18 SM=\$9	\$18	\$ 72.00
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS FEE	2	-	3***	0	LG=\$80 SM=\$40	\$80	\$ 0
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- ☒ Any filing fees under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 for the presentation of extra claims
- ☒ Any patent application processing fees under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17

Respectfully submitted,

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